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Burroughs elected

Lord Mayor heads to region 3

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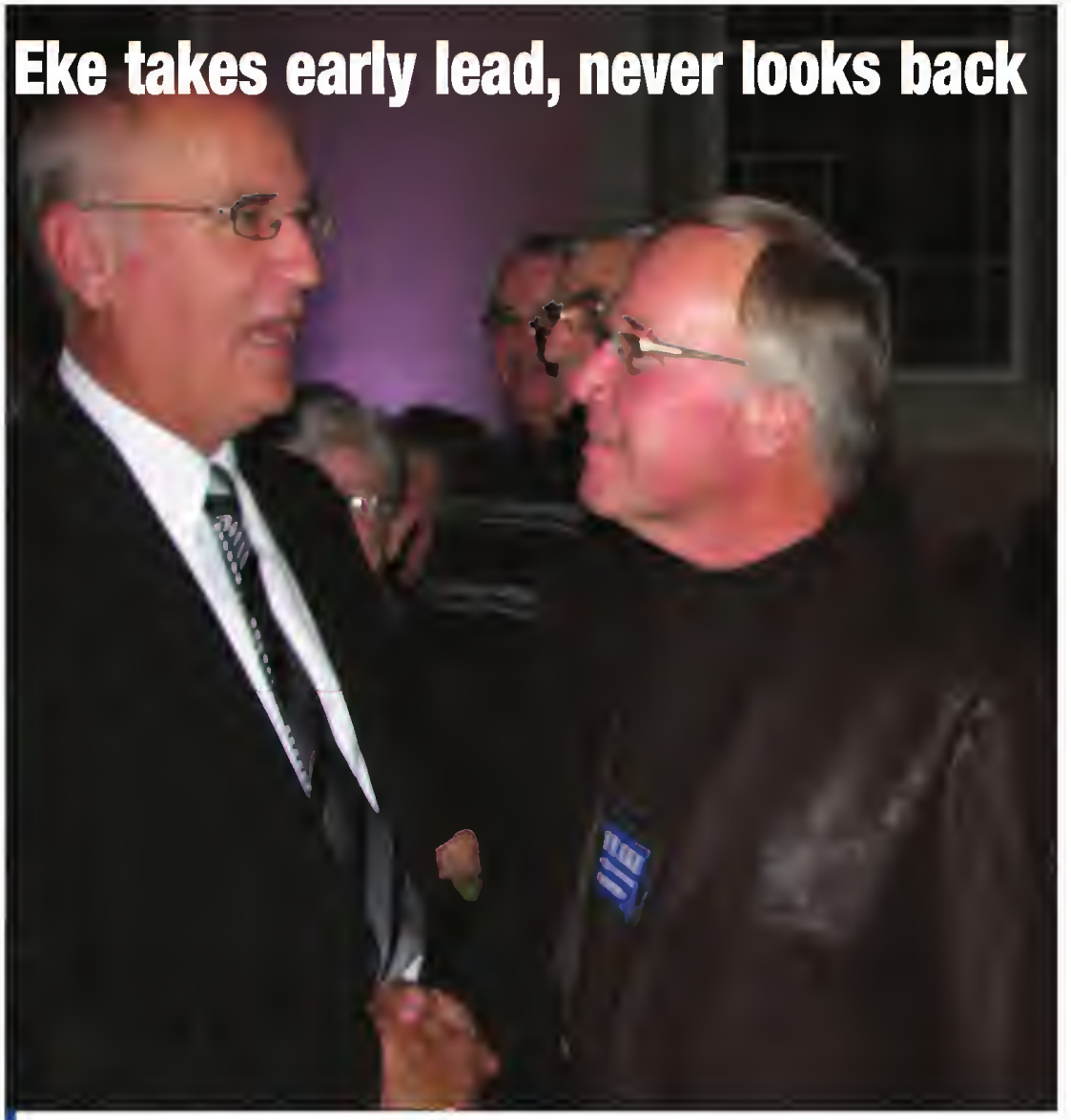
Eke takes early lead, never looks back



Tom Braybrook congratulates Dave Eke on his win in the bid for Lord Mayor of NOTL. Pat Darte came second behind Eke, Braybrook third and Ray Guy fourth.

Priority for next Lord Mayor will be building strong relationship with councillors, town staff

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Dave Eke has been a town and regional councillor. After sitting on the sidelines for the last four years, he is about to become Niagara-on-the-Lake's next Lord Mayor.

During the final weeks of the campaign, Eke says, he became "cautiously optimistic" about his chances.

But although he admits to being nervous as the polls were displayed at the Court House Monday, there was never any doubt that Eke was justified in his optimism. He led in the advance polls, the first to be posted, and never looked back.

The only polls he didn't take were Glendale and St. St. Davids—those went to Pat Darte, who finished second with a total of 1557 votes to Eke's 2310.

Tom Braybrook was third with 1328 votes, and Ray Guy finished in fourth place with 915.

Eke campaigned on the issues of leadership and accountability, saying that he believed the last council let the responsibility for governing NOTL slip through their fingers and as a result the town staff took control.

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Leadership, taking control of council first priorities

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That won't happen under his leadership, he promises. He said Monday his first priority will be to establish a good working relationship with council and staff. He looks forward to working with the town's chief administrative officer Mike Galloway, who also has experience with two terms as an elected representative.

"He knows the issues from both sides," said Eke.

"What I want to be as Lord Mayor is someone who is approachable. I'm there to serve the people who elected me. It's not about me, it's about them."

He also looks forward to returning to the regional council table, where he spent two terms representing NOTL—although this time he will be there as Lord Mayor.

As for high regional taxes, Eke says he believes there is an opportunity to work with the province on changing the way the region charges for its services. While he has no intention of lobbying for a move away from assessment-based municipal taxes, he will work toward having some services at the regional level based on population, he says.

Municipal taxes, he promises, will be kept at the 2010 level for 2011.

Eke praised the recent campaign as one that was clean, with "no sniping or underhanded tactics. It was a wonderful process for me. All the candidates worked hard together."

He said that while he didn't knock on doors—he considers that too intrusive—he did drive around and stop if he saw somebody out walking or working in their gardens. "I enjoyed talking with residents, restoring old friendships and making new friends. I always received optimistic responses, but I had to work hard until the end. There are no assurances in politics."

He credits his success to his wife Debbie, and his friend Jake Sinke from St. Davids, who helped him with his campaign. "He was just a blessing for me, a really good sounding board."

Debbie says she supported her husband throughout the campaign, and enjoyed the experience.

"It gave me an opportunity to meet people from all areas and all walks of life. I look at this as a wonderful opportunity. I know Dave will put his heart and soul into this job."

Debbie is also busy with volunteer work in the community, most recently with the NOTL branch of the Canadian Cancer Society, of which she is president.

"We both do our own thing and support each other in our endeavours. I think that has helped to make our relationship stronger."

The Ekes are looking forward to a busy and rewarding year. Their son Darren, an employee of the federal government in Ottawa, just had his second child, and their daughter Sarah and her husband Michael Pillitteri are expecting their first child in May.

"Life doesn't get any better than this," says Debbie.

Dave's success at the polls, she added, "is just the icing on the cake."

NOTL election results

Lord Mayor	
Dave Eke	2,310
Pat Darte	1,557
Tom Braybrook	1,328
Ray Guy	915
Regional Council	
Gary Burroughs	3,008
Dave Lepp	2,786

Dave Eke is congratulated by his son-in-law and daughter, Michael and Sarah Pillitteri.

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Burroughs beats Lepp in close contest for region

Finances, environment expected to be top issues at regional council.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Gary Burroughs is no stranger around the regional council table.

This time, however, he will be returning as Niagara-on-the-Lake's regional representative, rather than as Lord Mayor.

Burroughs beat out incumbent Dave Lepp by a little more than 200 votes.

"I knew it was going to be close," said Burroughs, who won only four of eight polls, as well as the two advance votes.

Burroughs says the reception he received during door-to-door campaigning led him to feel optimistic, but he was taken aback by the fact that some voters still wanted to debate Project Niagara.

Although council supported the summer music festival on Lakeshore Road Parks Canada property, Burroughs received some criticism from supporters for not personally endorsing it. But the project was dropped by its proponents when they ran out of time trying to line up their funding.

"I'm thrilled to have won even a close race," said Burroughs.

"I'm very excited about it."

Two of this term's priorities are likely to be finance and environmental issues, two of Burroughs' favourite subjects, he said.

He also looks forward to working with friends who have been on previous regional councils.

But it will be a different four years, without the mayoral duties to take up his time or distract him.

"It won't be as much fun as representing this town, but it will allow me to really focus more on the issues I enjoy," said Burroughs.

"I'm totally going to miss it though - it's been such an honour. I've had 10 great years of meeting the most amazing people and listening to them extol the virtues of NOTL. It's been a two-way street and I feel very fortunate to have had that opportunity."

Burroughs received 3,008 votes to Lepp's 2,786.

He's the man, says Dave Lepp, as he congratulates Gary Burroughs on snagging the town's regional council seat by a little more than 200 votes.

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Bau–Coote touched by outpouring of support

First stab at council nabs top position.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

"Overwhelmed" is the word our next deputy Lord Mayor said best described how she was feeling as she tried to absorb the election results.

Political neophyte Maria Bau-Coote came first of 13 candidates vying for a council seat in Monday's election.

"I couldn't watch the results Monday night, I was so nervous. I am extremely touched to know that so many people have put their trust and faith in me."

Bau-Coote says one of the most rewarding and heart-warming experiences of the election campaign was the number of people who offered their support without even knowing her—they said they knew her parents, and would vote for her based on her family's respected reputation in the community.

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Maria Bau-Coote collects signs that helped her earn top spot of deputy Lord Mayor on the town council.

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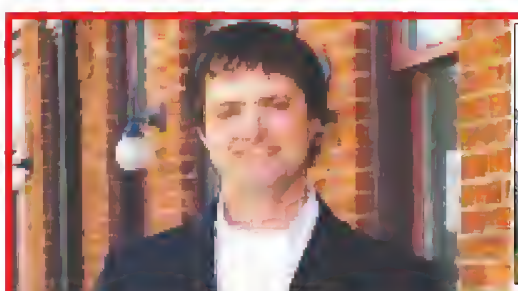

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'Pizza guy' delivers second council term

Voters like his style—honest and accessible.

Martin Mazza, who calls himself the "pizza guy," said when he signed on to campaign for a second council term that he wasn't sure whether residents appreciated his outspoken and sometimes combative style.

They must have, he discovered Monday, as he moved from seventh position in the 2006 election to second on this council.

"It feels like the last four years were not wasted. This makes it all worthwhile," says Mazza.

Occasionally a lone dissenting voice on council, he sometimes felt the wrath of other councillors, but he says his first four-year term helped him develop a thicker skin and made him a better person.

He has prided himself on being accessible, and on getting back to residents if they had questions or were looking for help, often pushing for answers at council.

"I wasn't sure if NOTL wanted this type of councillor. I'm happy to find they do. I was true to myself and I'm grateful people will allow me to do that again."

Trevor Bodogh and his mother Louise Howe congratulate Martin Mazza and Jamie King on their election to council Monday. King snagged fourth position and Mazza moved up to second from his seventh place finish in 2006.

'I'm willing to learn and work hard'

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Bau-Coote also has her own reputation that no doubt helped with the election results—as director of the town's family health team, she has been credited with improving health care locally.

"People who know me and trust me, that's one thing, but people supported me without even knowing me—what a responsibility. I'm nervous about the next four years but I'm definitely willing to learn and to work hard."

But whatever the reason for support from the community, the results, she says, have left her speechless.

"I'm stunned. I feel that something very important has happened. I think the results show people are ready for change, but slow change, and that's great. I know I have a lot of work ahead of me."

She can't wait to begin. She is already looking forward to the orientation for new candidates, and the all-day strategic planning session that has been scheduled for early December.

"I like that. I can't wait to get started."

Andrea Kaiser

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our editorial

Election is over but we must continue to be vigilant

Our voter turn-out in Niagara-on-the-Lake was just a little higher than 2006—48.65 per cent, up from 47.04.

Not surprisingly, the election in Niagara-on-the-Lake drew way more voters than our neighbour, St. Catharines, which saw just about one-third of its eligible voters go to the polls.

So almost 50 per cent doesn't sound so bad in comparison, although we wonder why the other half of eligible voters didn't cast the ballots that will determine how the town is run in the next four years.

Although there was lots of talk of change, it really didn't happen. Some incumbent councillors moved down in their number of votes to make room for newcomers Maria Bau-Coote and Jamie King, and for Martin Mazza, who moved into second place.

Of course we have a new Lord Mayor, and his presence, along with even two new faces at the council table, should change the dynamics. We encourage you to be independent thinkers, to weigh the issues and make your decisions based on the best information available. That's all we can ask.

And hopefully, those councillors who fared less well than they had hoped might look at why.

To all who were successful in Monday's election, congratulations, and we look forward to working with you and watching how the dynamics of our new council play out.

To those who put their names forward and were not successful, please don't despair. It takes time to attract the attention of NOTL voters. Spend the next four years getting involved in town committees and volunteer work, and give it another try. Thank you for putting your name forward. It takes courage. Not everyone can win a spot on council, especially not first try, but you all had something to contribute in the way of discussion about how the town should be run.

Perhaps the most disappointing outcome of the election was the public school board result. As hard as NOTL residents worked at getting more representation and new faces on the public school board, incumbents were returned and we lost the hard work of Lynn Campbell. Thanks Lynn for all you accomplished, and all your efforts. Congratulations to Jonathan Fast for successfully earning a seat on the board of trustees. We look forward to supporting you as you work toward improving education in NOTL. And one way to do that would be to change the voting structure that leaves us at the mercy of St. Catharines voters when trying to elect representation for NOTL. It's a tall order but with some persistence might work.

To our readers, the residents of NOTL, please continue to be involved, vigilant watchdogs of your community and your council. You have elected your representatives, now make sure they work for you. Let them—and us—know how you feel about issues they face and the decisions they make.

Don't let them forget they are elected to serve you.

For complete election results, visit notl.org.

Museum honours life members

Chris Allen and Richard Merritt have been awarded Honourary Life Membership for their contributions to the Niagara Historical Society and Museum. In June 2002, the Board of the Niagara Historical Society established the category of membership to honour individuals who have made a contribution significantly beyond the norm to the Society or Museum. Richard Merritt is a long-time member of the Society and a volunteer since 1986. His is a researcher of Niagara's past and has contributed to Society publications. Because of his vast knowledge of Niagara's history, Richard has been a vital member of the Museum's Collections Management Committee, and has been a significant donor, both financially and with many artefacts to the collection. Chris Allen has also been a volunteer for the Society for more than 15 years. He is a member of the Collections Management Committee and has recently started volunteering with exhibitions as well as the Society's annual fundraiser. Chris has donated many items to the Museum's collection and is constantly looking for items of interest.

Thanks to all who helped at Thanksgiving

Churches, individuals, service clubs and businesses have been very generous with their help.

Brenda Shah
Newark Neighbours

Many thanks to the NOTL Golf Club ladies section for food, and thanks also to parishioners of St. Vincent de Paul Church for giving a Thanksgiving dinner and cash donation for thanksgiving dinners.

Thank you also to St. Saviours Church Queenston parishioners for a cash donation for Thanksgiving dinners.

Thank you to St. Davids Lionesses for 90 boxes of food and cash donations from their food drive.

We also really appreciate NOTL Family Health Team for a cash donation, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett for the donation of a Thanksgiving meal , Christ Church McNab parishioners for food and Phil's Valu-mart for having a food drive which produced a truckload of food.

We really need sheet sets desperately and bedding of any kind.

Our winter hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and we can be reached at 905-468-3519.

opinion

letters to the editor

Mike MacSween is a hero

Early Sunday morning (Oct. 24) our father was in a serious single car accident on Niagara Stone Road that left him trapped in a burning vehicle. We would like to acknowledge and thank Mike MacSween for stopping when so many others didn't.

That morning the roads were wet and slippery and our father lost control of the vehicle, crossed oncoming traffic, flipped the vehicle a number of times, missed a hydro pole, missed the culvert and ended up sideways in the ditch, the car on fire and unable to get out.

There was no one else involved in the accident.

About seven or eight cars went by before anyone stopped and it was Mike MacSween who finally stopped to help.

The brand new SUV was demolished, windows smashed, mirrors broken, the items from the back in the front. The air bags didn't go off and amazingly all our father has is a small cut on his finger and a red mark on his shoulder. He walked from the SUV to the ambulance and called to ask if someone else at home could pick up our sister Elisabeth from a friend's house. He was worried that she would be late for work at Zee's (they gave her the day off).

Regardless of the fact that the car was on fire, Mike rushed to our father's side and climbed onto the overturned vehicle to reach our dad. He helped support his weight so that the seat belt could be undone and then he pulled our dad out to safety, staying with him until help could arrive.

While we were saddened by the fact that people could see such a crash and continue on their way, we are happy to know that there are some people like Mike MacSween in our community willing to help a stranger in need.

Mike MacSween is a hero and words cannot express how grateful we are for his help on that morning.

On Oct. 30 our father will celebrate his 60th birthday.

Catherine, David and Elisabeth Butler

Thanks for help, participation in Terry Fox run

Once again the community of Niagara-on-the-lake helped to raise funds for cancer research through their participation in the Terry Fox Run at Simcoe Park. Sun. Sept 19

Reaching a goal of $15,000 was achieved through generous donations from Phil's Valu-mart, Hendriks Valu-mart, Tim Hortons (NOTL), Rest to Go Pizza, Peter Gill, Cows ice cream, Queenston-Lewiston Rotary Club, Reif Winery, Tina and Pete Mottola and Walkers Fruit Market.

The individual participants and volunteers gave up their time to support this worthwhile fundraiser. Many thanks to each and every one of you for helping to continue Terry's Marathon of Hope.

The outstanding music performed by the Athertones was an added bonus to our event.

To all the students who volunteered their time, thank you for your support and assistance in keeping Terry's dream alive.

Terry's journey was tragically cut short but he left us with a legacy of hope and the powerful example of how one person can make a difference.

I thank you all for choosing to make a difference. 30 years later you have shown that all things are possible. I cannot imagine Terry being more proud.

Thank you so much for your contributions to the Terry Fox Run 2010. It is wonderful to be a part of such a supportive community.

Joan King

Article about transit options disturbing

Your article about public transit (Report offers transit options, Niagara Advance, Oct. 14) really irritated me.

You quote: "St. Catharines topped the list with 87 per cent of respondents noting the Garden City as their desired destination," and "within Niagara-on-the-Lake third on the list (37 per cent).

You go on to list five options (from the report) to solve the transportation issue. Not one of them includes transportation to St. Catharines.

We already have a transportation service to St. Catharines, run by Laidlaw, which I have been using for the last 15 years. It's not very convenient but it's better than nothing. They pick you up at 11 a.m., and return you to NOTL at 5 p.m Obviously no one can use it for work transportation. It's hard to use it to see doctors in St. Catharines. Many are not available the two weekdays the service runs.

When the new hospital system is open, doctors will probably be relocating close to the new hospital, making it even more difficult for those of us who don't rive.

The Laidlaw bus isn't used by many. If it was expanded to daily service and if it could offer the options of earlier pick-up and drop-off times it would see expanded ridership.

The fact that it's just another school bus makes it "invisible" to many locals who are unaware of its existence.

Perhaps we need a few bus stop signs to give us the feeling that something is really being done to solve public transit in NOTL.

Caroline Browning

Everyone welcome at church by God's invitation

Barb McGale
St. Andrew's Presbyterian
Consider This

"The church is full of hypocrites!" I can't count the number of times I've heard that statement.

Maybe that's exactly how you feel about the Christians you've encountered.

Maybe you feel we are people who say one thing and do something else.

Of course, the opposite perception is also held. People have the impression we must be particularly good because we go to church every week. Some might even suppose we think we're better than everyone else.

Reality is somewhere between those two extremes. We are a group desperately trying, with God's help, to live faithfully. However, we are painfully aware that we are not always successful.

Maybe that's the side of the church you've met and have been disillusioned. Maybe you think you're not good enough to be part of the church, that there's some issue in your life that needs resolving before you'd be welcome.

The truth is, everyone is welcome because we are there by God's invitation. We worship the Lord because He is good. We worship God because He is faithful, even when we are not.

We worship Christ because He has given us a new lease on life.

The next time you're driving by on a Sunday morning, drop in to your neighbourhood church.

Meet the people inside: people who fail and falter; people who'd like to do better and are grateful for a second chance; people who want to make a difference and leave the world a better place.

In short, people just like you.

NOTL voters made a statement, but it didn't translate to election success

Congrats to NOTL candidates for putting names and reputations forward.

Sandra Cowan & Georgina Keller
Friends of NDSS

As the election signs begin to come down, we have some new faces at the District School Board of Niagara as well as some returning.

As the combined votes of Niagara-on-the-Lake and St. Catharines were totalled, not unexpectedly, the tide to carry trustees to office in the DSBN came in the larger population vote in St Catharines.

However, we did make a statement in NOTL.

Congratulations to Paolo Miele, Lynn Campbell, Barry Wilding and Don MacDougall. Although the final overall results don't reflect it, the vote in Niagara-on-the-Lake placed these four candidates at the top of our local list.

Also with a strong showing were our fifth and sixth place finishers Jonathan Fast and Alex Bradnam. Special congratulations to Jonathan, who made the top three in St. Catharines with a total to finish with the second highest support overall.

The incumbents from St. Catharines took the first and third spot, although they were seventh and 10th respectively in our town. It was Alex Bradnam who capitalized on the NOTL electorate who needed the votes from our town to give him the fourth trustee seat at the DSBN table.

With a large ballot of 13 choices, some may say the voting power is diluted. But to have that many caring citizens willing to try to make a difference should be applauded. We commend all those who put their names and reputations forward to make the commitment to help bring their varied skills to benefit the education of our children.

Although our top four choices were drowned out by the larger city, we hope they will continue to remain active and vocal external supporters and when necessary critics of education policy and practices for the needs of our students.

Next steps will be to watch as the new group of elected trustees is formed and plans, visions and business for the next four years unfold.

Newcomer to council hopes to provoke thorough, dynamic debate of issues

Jamie King credits at least some of his success in Monday's election to his strong support for secondary school education in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

But he realizes there is more to being on council than fighting for a high school in the community.

"We built a network around that issue, and I'm still committed to exploring opportunities for a high school in NOTL. I'm also very aware that council business is not directly related to a high school or educational issues. But education is related to the quality of life we offer to residents and young families in the community, and council has a responsibility to them."

Part of the problem with local education issues is a lack of representation on the school board—NOTL could only get one trustee elected, last term with one NOTL candidate running, and this term with five from NOTL on the ballot.

"If you look at the poll results, there is great disparity between St. Catharines and NOTL. The current voting structure is problematic."

Finding a solution to education in NOTL "may take time, but we'll find a solution eventually."

King, senior development officer for the faculty of business at Brock University, says he sensed during the campaign that there was "an appetite for change on council."

He was surprised to see the incumbents all returned, he said.

As one of two political newcomers, he plans to be a voice for residents.

While campaigning, he says, "I listened very carefully to residents, and developed a platform in response to what I heard every day. This makes me realize I heard their messages correctly. I place a high value on listening to those concerns and taking them to council."

King says he's "tremendously excited" about getting to work as a councillor.

"I really want to be sure we have good, dynamic conversations and thorough discussions of the issues."

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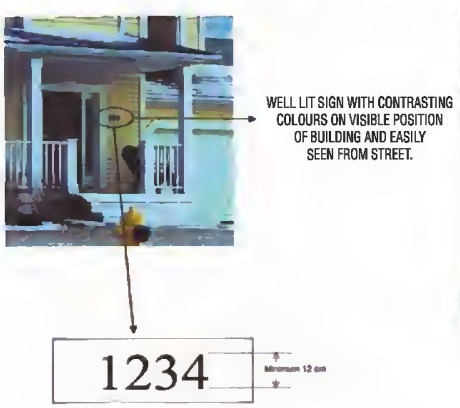

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After seesawing with newcomer incumbent wins 8th council seat

Dennis Dick admits watching election results come in Monday was a "nail-biter."

The veteran politician knew there was an atmosphere of change in the air, and although he earned the eighth place on council, the results showed him seesawing back and forth with Niagara District Airport manager Kenn Moody, who was ahead with one poll left to be reported.

Dick will be serving his sixth term—he lost his seat in the 2003 election and came back in 2006, in eighth place then as well.

He said that although the evening was a little on the dramatic side, he wasn't concerned about the outcome—it wouldn't change the way he approaches council business.

"It's all good," he said, "win or lose. If you win you continue to do things for the town. If you lose you do things for your wife. It'll be another fun four years. We'll get a lot done, and I'm looking forward to it."

He said he was happy with the voter turnout.

"At the end of the day the people have spoken."

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Trustee Campbell loses seat by about 50 votes

Trustee worked hard for NOTL, enjoyed the job and hoped for a second term.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

While candidates for the position of public school board trustee scrambled to discover the correct election results Tuesday morning, Niagara-on-the-Lake's only incumbent Lynn Campbell knew that though there was some confusion over who had been elected, she would not be returning to her position on the school board.

To say she was disappointed in her fifth place finish is an understatement.

Campbell ran for trustee four years ago because she knew that Niagara District Secondary School would face a review, and could be up for closure.

"I worked hard for Niagara-on-the-Lake," she said, "and I enjoyed my role as trustee. I'm really going to miss it."

She did everything she could to fight for the local high school, but the fact that her efforts could not keep it open created a backlash that lost her votes, she said.

"It's not so much that people blame me for the closure, but it brought out more candidates from NOTL, and that split the vote," she says.

"But at least we have a new elementary school."

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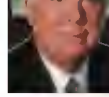
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NOTL's Jonathan Fast will serve on DSBN board of trustees

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She says she will put politics behind her, move on and "re-invent" herself, as she has done over the years—once a journalist, she has also worked in social services, established a food bank and a homeless program, worked in public relations and in art sales.

"We have an art gallery to run. I can spend more time at that and I'm sure something else will come along."

Campbell was one of the first to question the public trustee election results as posted Monday evening and throughout Tuesday morning.

They were incomplete, as the city of St. Catharines eventually admitted, but although the official results dropped Linda Crouch from the top four and showed Alex Bradnam elected in her place, Campbell only moved into fifth position. She missed keeping her seat by about 50 votes.

The total tally of polls for public school trustee, including NOTL votes, was briefly posted Monday, then quickly withdrawn when St. Catharines city staff realized that adding the NOTL votes had boosted their city's voter turnout to more than 40 per cent, rather than the actual correct figure of about 30 per cent. So they immediately subtracted NOTL's poll results from the totals.

Despite the confusion, NOTL's Jonathan Fast remained in third place, behind veterans Lora Campbell and Dalton Clark.

Fast, an NOTL native and St. Catharines realtor, campaigned on a solution for secondary school education in NOTL, with a combined Catholic and public high school on one site.

NOTL's Paolo Miele finished in eighth place, Barry Wilding in 11th and Don MacDougall in 12th.

Frank Fera and Ed Nieuwesteeg, both incumbents, will represent Niagara-on-the-Lake and Niagara Falls on Niagara's Catholic school board.

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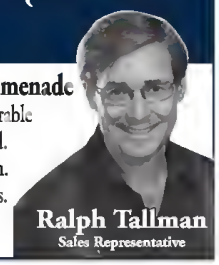

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Randwood Estate walk-about may help anxious neighbours

Questions and concerns to be addressed at meeting.

Marc MacDonald
Niagara Advance

With concern over the proposed changes to the Randwood Estate on John Street, owners Gary Peterson, his wife artist Trisha Romance and developer Doug Fowler are hoping to share their vision with the public at a Nov. 6 meeting.

Beginning at the Pillar and Post in the Library Room at 10 a.m., the meeting will shift to the grounds of the Randwood Estate from 12 to 1:30 p.m.

There will be a formal question and answer session at the Pillar, says Peterson.

"Then we'll walk over to the physical grounds so people can get a better idea of what we're proposing."

With some of the proposed changes including a 100-room inn and restaurant in the main building, an arts and cultural centre with studio space and a special events centre with underground parking, the walk-about is aimed at providing as realistic an idea of what the grounds will look like as possible.

With residents having voiced many questions at a packed town-organized information-gathering session in September, Peterson hopes that this next meeting will help ease some of the anxieties.

Gary Peterson, seen here at the Randwood Estate on John Street, hopes that when neighbours understand the plans for the site they will be less concerned about its impact on the area.

"I think some of the people are afraid of something they aren't fully aware of," he said.

"People are concerned about things like noise, lights, how it will affect their property value. I'm not surprised. The area bas been quiet for a number of years."

The 14-acre property was used as a think-tank in the 90s, and then bought and sold by a Toronto couple who briefly ran a school of philosophy from the main building and its grounds.

Peterson says the site's conversion to a country inn is one of the few possible ways to preserve the historic buildings on the property that would be financially sustainable.

He understands the concerns that neighbours have and wants them addressed, because he is a neighbour as well.

"Many of the things they are concerned about, I'm concerned about," said Peterson.

With 60 per cent of the property to be environmentally protected, he says he hopes it can be showcased and shared with the public.

"We hope that we can find a viable usage for this property."

He said he has also had a lot of positive feedback about the proposal.

"It's important for people to know all the facts."

The property is zoned residential and would require site-specific rezoning. The town planning department expects council will have a full report to deal with in the spring.

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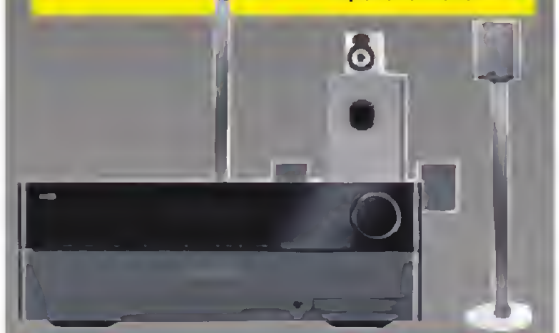

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Celebrity fundraising dinner planned for community centre

Marc MacDonald
Niagara Advance

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Court House will have a different look next Friday, as it becomes the venue for a celebrity sports fundraising dinner, with proceeds going toward the new Community Centre.

Organizer Lou Spagnol has pieced together a trio of former Toronto Maple Leafs, Eddie Shack, Johnny Bower and Ron Ellis, with local legend Angelo Mosca, to provide the entertainment.

Angelo Mosca, five-time all-star CFL football player and former professional wrestler, will be on had to chat at the fundraising sports dinner Nov. 6.

"It starts with word of mouth," said Spagnol, explaining how he was able to snag the former pro athletes.

"Usually what happens is that somebody knows somebody and we follow up on that and go from there."

The evening, which begins at 6 p.m. with cocktails and the opportunity to mingle with the celebrities, is expected to be a rousing success, with entertainment galore and everyone having fun.

"There are enough celebrities there that everyone can have the opportunity to chat with them a little bit," said Spagnol. "I'm looking forward to some nice entertainment."

Funny man Joe Pillitteri, an avid Montreal Canadiens fan, is likely to have some fun with the former Maple Leafs while everyone will have the opportunity to watch some vintage footage of some great hockey moments.

"We're going to have a big television and I've managed to get the final Stanley Cup game from 1967 when the Leafs last won the cup," said Spagnol.

"We're also going to have the final game of the Canada-Russia series."

And should Pillitteri rile up the former Leafs too much or anyone else gets up to no good, Mosca, a former professional wrestler, football player and emcee for the night, will make sure to keep everyone in line.

The evening should be a great time for everyone, says Spagnol, and he hopes that many will come out and enjoy a night of entertainment for a good cause.

Tickets are $90 and be purchased at Simpson's Pharmacy, the Parks and Recreation office in the Virgil arena and at the Niagara-on-the-Lake Golf Club.

Kristy O'Neal measures distances in the recently discovered area where an water was once run to power a mill wheel and possibly a later turbine in the newly excavated area at the old CanGro property.

Historic mill unearthed

150-year-old stone mill was one of 10 in St. Davids.

Marc MacDonald
Niagara Advance

Developer Rainer Hummel is unearthing history as he tries to bring a 150-year-old stone grist mill back to life.

Hummel, along with planner Robert Miller, an executive with the Canadian chapter of the Society for the Preservation of Old Mills, and Kristy O'Neal of Mayer Heritage Consultants, has begun the archaeological dig to bring to light the remains of one of many mills that ran along Four Mile Creek.

"I knew this existed and I thought it was kind of cool looking at it," said Hummel. "But I've been trying to think of a way we can do something with it, and that's what we're trying to do now – to determine how do turn what we're finding into something useable."

The old mill is located next to the former CanGro building on Four Mile Creek Road, which Hummel has purchased. He is renovating the main building to be used as office space, and leasing out some space for storage and production.

According to Miller, the property, first owned by a Butler Ranger named Sampson Lutz, was originally a sawmill and dam that was constructed sometime after 1792.

In 1814 American troops burned the mill to the ground and it was later rebuilt.

"Sometime after that, decades later, around 1830-1850 there was a stone grist mill put up here," said Miller.

"It was a very big building and what we're unearthing here is how they got water power inside the building."

While the process of excavating continues, Hummel has a rough sketch of what he would like to see happen with the space that is so rich in history.

"As we're going along we're thinking our way through what the possibilities are," he said.

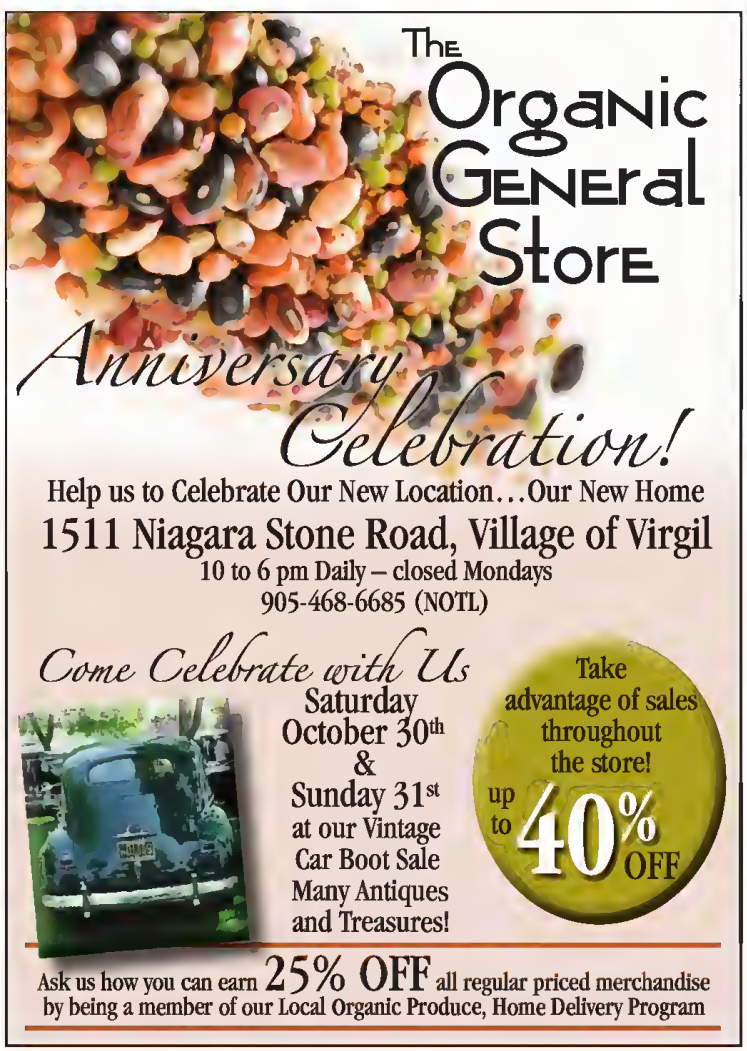
"The end result would be to find the four corners of the original building, put a new building up on it and showcase something prominent in perpetuity -in a perfect world we could get the water to flow back through here again and have building on top of this."

While much about the mill is known, there is still some information that eludes Miller and company.

"In 1890 the whole mill was converted to fruit drying, processing and canning – that ran until 1923 when it caught fire," said Miller, who said there was also a steam boiler that had been added to the mill as well.

"There are nine of 10 mills [in the area] and we know who built all of them and roughly when ... except this one."

While investigating their find for only a few days, Hummel says that they have already uncovered a great deal in a very short period of time and are excited about how much they are finding so quickly.



Notice of Public Information Meeting
Randwood Estate

Gary Peterson, Trisha Romance and Doug Fowler, owners of the former Randwood Estate, would like to share their vision with the public as they embark on plans to redevelop the property, located at 144 and 176 John Street. This vision includes plans for an inn, an art and cultural centre, a special events facility and an area dedicated for environmental preservation.

Public input is an important part of this process and the owners would like to invite all interested members of the public to visit the site, participate in the presentations and assist them in creating the future use of this important historical property.

We welcome your input and look forward to your participation.

Public Information Meeting
Saturday, November 6, 2010
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. – Pillar and Post
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Randwood Estate

Music Niagara, St. Mark's remember a friend

Marc MacDonald
Niagara Advance

St. Mark's Church and Music Niagara are making plans to honour and remember Craig Winters, a longtime friend and musician who passed away in August of 2009, by hosting a free concert featuring a newly-arrived harpsichord, the instrument Winters played and loved.

Involved with Music Niagara since its inception, Winters played the role of technician, musician and loyal supporter, doing everything from setting up lights to tuning pianos – all willingly and generously.

Over the years Winters made his mark in Niagara-on-the-Lake and would often lend his talents to community fundraisers and special concerts at St. Mark's Church.

Now, thanks to the help of a memorial fund that was orchestrated by the church and Music Niagara, a harpsichord has made its way from Sabathil and Son – a custom manufacturer of harpsichords – in B.C. to Niagara-on-the-Lake.

"It was a great opportunity for Music Niagara and the church to work together," said Music Niagara Executive Director Christopher Blake.

"The neat thing is that it's owned by the community – the community contributed to it and it's now being shared in the community."

Atis Bankas, Artistic Director of Music Niagara, is thrilled with the relationship that has been built over the years with St. Mark's Church and is excited at the addition of the harpsichord.

"We've always had a wonderful relationship with St. Mark's," said Bankas.

"Music Niagara really began at St. Mark's and this new collaboration on the harpsichord is a great example of how we work together."

As for the new element of sound that will be a fixture at St. Mark's Church, Bankas is excited as to what might come from it.

"It opens up a whole new opportunity in our programming for the future," said Bankas.

"There are a lot of lovers of baroque music here in NOTL and I think they are really going to love this beautiful new instrument and what we will be able to do with it."

Reverend Bob Wright is looking forward to the event and says the free concert also acts as a token of gratitude to the community for their support of the memorial fund.

The concert which will begin at 4 p.m. on Nov. 7 at St. Mark's Church will be followed by a reception and is free of charge, with seating based on a first come, first served basis.

Christopher Blake, Executive Director of Music Niagara, Cassandra Studenny, Arts Administration Intern, Rev. Bob Wright and organist Michael Tansley surround the new harpsichord that just recently arrived in memory of Craig Winters.

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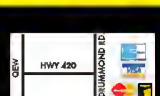

Best costume award at Halloween dog party

Party will help feed local dogs until their homes can be found.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Nobody knows better than Casey McNab that Niagara-on-the-Lake residents love their dogs, but he wonders whether locals understand the true devotion of a local couple who are also dog lovers.

The owners of Mutts and Frutts, a pet food and supply store on Niagara Stone Road, have been supplying Ken and Kia Reid with pet food to help feed strays the couple occasionally shelter at their home.

The Reids are officially the town's animal control officers. Their job is to pick up strays and turn them over to the Lincoln County Humane Society.

But as McNab and many dog owners know, the couple does far more to help than they are contracted to do.

The Reids have worked for the town for more than a decade. Their phones are on 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and when they catch a wandering dog, they often have an idea who it belongs to, and will try to locate the owners—Kia has an amazing memory, says Ken, and will often be able to pin-point the pet's home.

If it takes a couple of days, they look after the animal while they try to track down its owners, says McNab—they know the outcome is often not a happy one if they take a dog to the humane society.

"I can tell you if it was my dog they picked up, the very last place on earth I would want my dog to end up at is the St.Catharines humane society," says McNab.

The Reids, he says, "are 100 per cent dedicated to the dogs of NOTL."

The Reids have not asked for help, but McNab thinks they could use some support from the pet community which receives so much support from them.

Mutts and Frutts is planning a doggie Halloween party—treats, loot bags, refreshments and prizes for the best dog costumes—and hope for donations to help the Reids feed the pets they find themselves sheltering for a day or two.

It is also the introduction of a new all-natural doggie treat made locally. NOTL resident Stephen Lukawski of Barket Wise is launching his apple-based fruit snack marketed for dogs, but that is "a healthy companion food you can share with your best friend," he says.

In addition to apples, it contains fish oil, which provides Omega 3 for skin and coat health, and Vitamin C for immune support.

"It is made from science based ingredients ideally suited to dogs," but perfectly safe for humans, he says.

The snacks contain no peanuts, no wheat, no artificial colouring or artificial flavour, he said.

And they're made right here in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

The snacks will be available for pets who attend the Mutts and Frutts Halloween Party, he said.

McNab says he thinks the party will be a good way to make people aware of how much the Reids care, and how much they do to help local pet owners.

The party is Saturday, Oct. 30 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Niagara Stone Road store. For more information call 905-468-1796.

Kia and Ken Reid, canine control officers, pick up pet food donated by Lisa Jeffrey of Mutts and Frutts on Niagara Stone Road. The Reids had a black lab and a golden lab they had picked up, both of whom would need feeding until their owners could be found.

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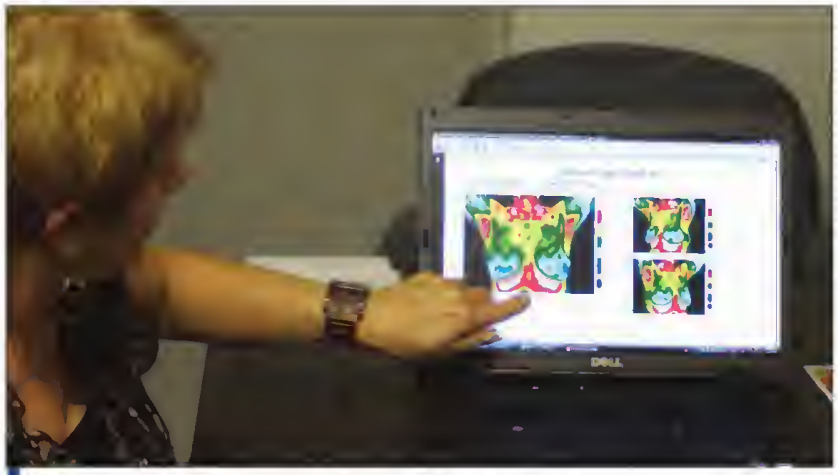
Breast cancer detection can begin with thermography

Nothing new about imaging procedure.

Marc MacDonald
Niagara Advance



Thermography, which uses infrared images of the breast to determine the risk of breast cancer, will be available at a clinic offered by Mary Kubisewsky at the Prince of Wales Hotel Saturday, Nov. 6.

Early detection is important, but prevention is the key.

That is the slogan that Mary Kubisewsky wants those who come to her mobile thermography clinic – such as the one that will be in Niagara-on-the-Lake at the Prince of Wales Hotel on Nov. 6 –to understand and believe in.

A breast cancer survivor, Kubisewsky has embraced breast thermography and is now doing what she can to spread the word – she believes there are many women who aren't aware of it.

"It's not new by any means – it was FDA approved in the US in 1982 and it's been in Europe prior to that," said Kubisewsky.

"It's been in Toronto for 11 years and I opened up the clinic in Kitchener two years ago – it's not a new technology but it may be new for women hearing it."

Breast thermography is a non-invasive, radiation-free imaging procedure where infrared images of the breast are analyzed and rated to determine the risk of developing breast cancer.

While mammograms remain the most common form of screening for breast cancer, thermography can give women an even higher percentage of avoiding breast cancer, especially those who are younger, says Kubisewsky.

"With thermography you would have eight to 10 years of warning because it takes a lump that long to grow big enough to be imaged through any other means of testing," she said.

"Women from age 20 to 45 have no means of testing that's reliable – breasts are very dense in a young woman and up to 40 or 50 – and a mammogram of a dense breast is like looking for a plane that's about the clouds. It's very cloudy."

The test, which takes about 20 to 30 minutes, costs $250 and can be booked without a referral.

"Before I had breast cancer I would have thought 'oh, $250, that's a lot of money," she said. "But after I had breast cancer I found that $250 very quickly."

While thermography cannot diagnose breast cancer, it can provide very early detection that will allow women the opportunity to make any changes that may aid their fight against breast cancer.

"Women need to know that they can take control of their health and they don't have to wait for the lump," said Kubisewsky.

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Newark Neighbours struggles with unwanted furniture

Food bank must pay for disposal of garbage.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Got garbage to get rid of? Please don't take it to Newark Neighbours.

The town's food bank for those in need has a limited budget for hydro, heat and telephone costs, paying for the essentials out of the money it makes from sales of used household goods and clothing.

It also pays to have a blue garbage bin on the property emptied twice a month, at about $50 each time.

With most items sold in their little store priced at $1 or $2, the agency, which receives no government assistance, can't afford more than that.

But volunteers regularly find large items—mattresses, box springs, furniture, recently even a small pool table—dropped off beside their John Street barn.

Newark Neighbours doesn't resell those items. There is no room to store them, and by the time they've been left outside for a few days, they're garbage anyway, says volunteer Brenda Shah.

There is a large sign on the door asking people not to drop off large items.

"Often we find things dropped right below the sign," she says.

"I don't know why people do this to us. We have to pay to have it taken away."

With their little yellow barn located on the property of Riverbend Inn, the volunteers work very hard to keep their area tidy and to be good neighbours, she said.

"I don't think the people who read the paper are necessarily the ones who are leaving these items, but maybe somebody will know them and hopefully the message will get to the right people."

She wonders whether people realize they can phone the region to pick up large items with their garbage collection, or whether they just can't be bothered.

"This starts the day off very badly for us, when we arrive and find stuff piled right beneath our sign."

Residents are very generous to Newark when volunteers ask for help with holiday dinners or require specific items to meet their clients' needs, she says.

"The people who are doing this might not even be local, but I hope they get the message."

Newark volunteers Brenda Shah and Margo van deLaar would like to remind everyone that they are not equipped to handle large items such as furniture.

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Don't miss big band party

The 12th annual big band dance party, with Jackie Lane and the Swingin' Big Band playing nostalgic favourites, is set to entertain at the Court House Saturday, Nov. 6, while raising money for the Niagara-on-the-Lake Hospital Auxiliary.

The events raise almost $10,000 each year, says Lane—he arranges the party, and the recipient can take the opportunity to raise money through a silent auction or by raffling prizes.

This year, there will be an opportunity to win a week's stay at the South Beach Hotel, a luxury resort hotel in Barbados, including seven days deluxe accommodation for two with breakfast.

The big band party is a popular event, with a core group of regulars who have attended each year, says Lane.

This year's proceeds will help to purchase electronic beds for the NOTL Hospital, which allow patients to move their own beds up and down with a remote control device, giving them comfort and independence.

Lane, a musician from the hey-day of big band jazz and swing, says it's an evening of nostalgia for him, and a thrill to be able to pull together his band of 17 talented Canadian musicians to perform.

"These are all professional working musicians who like to get together for this special occasion. Some work in Toronto for the Mirvish theatres, some teach at University of Toronto or Humber College. But when we get together, the chemistry just clicks. They love to come here to play in Niagara-on-the-Lake with this particular ensemble," says Lane.

Lane, who plays every day for his own pleasure, says the evening takes him back to the days when he "was one of those guys. I travelled with them as a sideman, a member of the band."

Although the big band business died years ago—there weren't enough jobs to keep them on the road—there are many people who still enjoy the music and love the opportunity to dance to it, says Lane. "Whether you dance or just listen with a glass of wine, it's a fun evening."

Also performing are the very talented Shaw regulars—"knock-out artists," Jenny Wright, Melanie Janzen and Patty Jamieson.

They will be "right in the pocket performing swing-era vocals and ballads," says Lane.

Corks Wine Bar and Eatery will provide the bar and food. The bar opens at 6 p.m., with dancing from 7 p.m..

Tickets are $39, with complimentary nibbles included, and tickets are available at 905-468-8232.

Jackie Lane and his Swingin' Big Band, seen here at Fort George this summer, will be at the Court House Saturday, Nov. 6.

Thank you Niagara!

A huge thank you to all those who voted for me in this election. Watching polling station results come in Monday night, I was thrilled to see so many of you have the confidence in me to Vote Epp. I met wonderful people and am so grateful for this opportunity.

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Local author set out to write adventure stories—with a twist.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

There's nothing like a good spooky story to read, especially around Halloween.

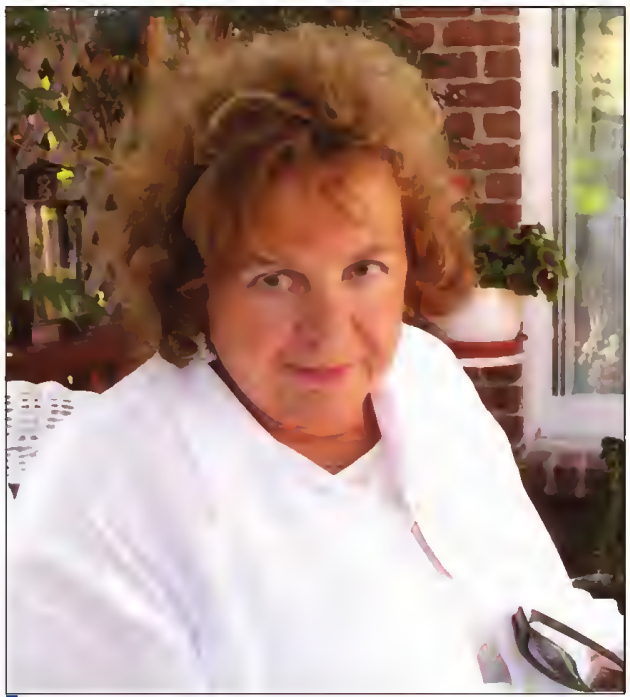
Local author Myrtle Burton didn't set out to produce mysteries—she just sat down to write where her imagination took her. She thought of the end result more as adventures with a twist.

But her advice from those in the publishing industry was that her tales be classified as mysteries, published with a cover that leads you to expect something just a little sinister or frightening will be revealed.

The title is Septet— a collection of six fictional tales and one real-life story about her father, a colourful, larger-than-life character who Burton wanted to include.

After living in New York, the Niagara Falls native has retired to Niagara-on-the-Lake, and is involved in several local groups and clubs, including the Shaw Guild and the Newcomers Alumni, a local book club, a bridge club and a singles group which plans monthly dinners.

She "lucked out" when she chose to retire in NOTL because of the number of interesting people "who just don't sit still," she says.



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Although she spent more time painting than writing most of her life—she was an art teacher—she always enjoyed writing stories.

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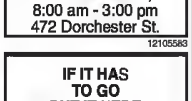

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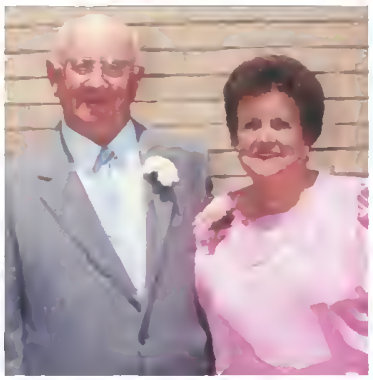

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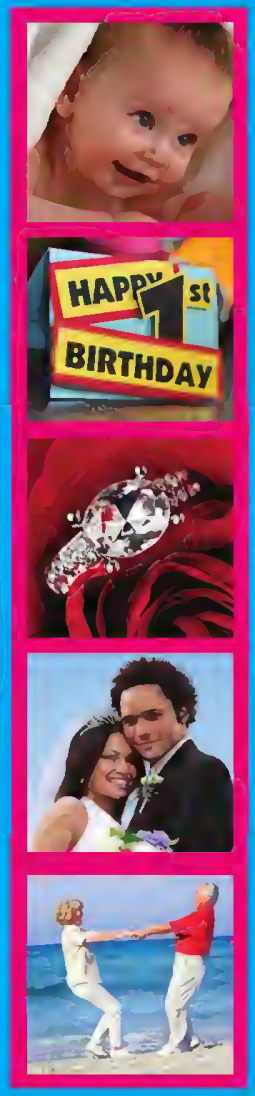

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Flower arranging brings pleasure to seniors

Flowers and Friends program brightens up long-term care facility and the lives of seniors.

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Bill Short is brightening up the lives of seniors.

The volunteer with Niagara-on-the-Lake Community Palliative Care has introduced Flowers and Friends to residents of Chateau Gardens—a program he initiated to infuse some colour at the long-term care facility.

Every other Friday, he collects donations of flowers and greenery from local florists. Ahout a dozen Chateau Gardens residents who regularly participate in the program sit around a tahle with their vases, and out-do each other as they use the flowers to put together heautiful arrangements.

When they're done, they take their creations to their rooms to he enjoyed over the following days, or in some cases have given them to friends in the home who are ill.

The program has hecome quite a social event for regulars who eagerly anticipate their participation, says support services manager Dehi Brown.

They've even hecome a little competitive, trying to see who can make the hest arrangement, she says.

It's a craft they enjoy, with some sensory stimulation, an opportunity to build their self-worth and to experience past interests once again—not to mention enjoying the beautiful aroma of the flowers.

Short says when he was training for palliative care, he discovered funeral homes would deliver flowers to local hospitals, where nurses would pull apart arrangements and place the flowers in vases in patients' rooms.

He decided to visit local florists and ask for flowers, and then took the next step of encouraging Chateau Gardens residents to put together their own arrangements.

"They really look forward to it," says Brown.

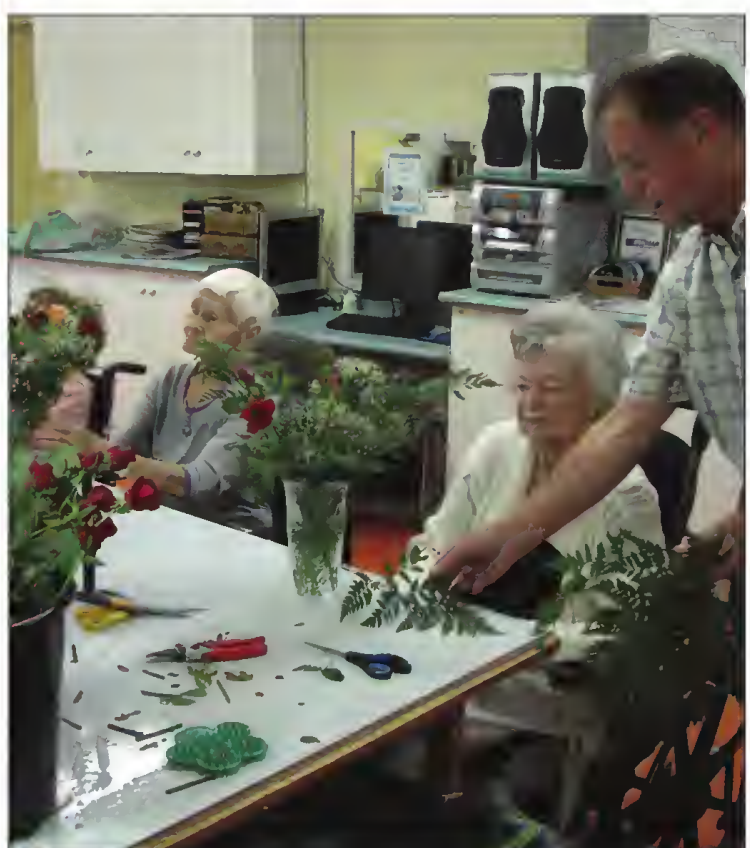
"They will ask if 'today is the day we get to do our flowers.' And as they watch each other make their arrangements, it's a good conversation-starter for them."

It also gives them a sense of pride and accomplishment, and provides opportunity for nursing staff to bolster residents' self-esteem as they admire the arrangements, she says.

Short had the help of volunteer Frank Poisson as he launched the program, and has Megan McEwan working with him to help the seniors.

Virgil Greenhouses and Wine Country Roses have heen on-hoard from the heginning, with George and Betty Vandermeer now also contrihuting flowers from their Larkin Road Farms.

Comments from the residents re-enforce the value of the program, says Brown— "they keep saying thank you for the heautiful flowers, often with tears in their eyes."



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Hunter Ostromecki earns shutout against Pelham.

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The NOTL Minor Hockey Association State Farm/Phil's Valu-mart Wolves defeated Wainfleet Saturday. After a back and forth opening two periods where neither team could score, Ethan Lett opened the scoring 13 seconds into the third period on a pass from Owen Davis. Wainfleet responded 30 seconds later to tie the score.

Great work in the corner by Samuel Hendriks to win the puck resulted in Georgia Ledwez scoring her first goal of the year three minutes later, with Wainfleet again responding to tie the game.

The Wolves kept pushing, and with just over a minute remaining, Davis again found Lett in the slot for what turned out to be the winning goal. Peter Rigas preserved the win with an incredible diving glove save with only seconds left on the clock.

In other novice house league action, the St. David's Firefighters defeated Pelham 3-0 in their first away game this season.

Matteo Giampa scored all three goals with assists by Lucas Janzen, Conner O'Gorman, and Jaden Patterson.

Hunter Ostromecki earned the shutout, with great defence by Keaton Boldt.

In a home contest against Pelham, the Firefighters earned a hard-fought 2-2 tie thanks to goals by Tyler Cullen and Mathew Ward, with assists by Austin Gould.

Macgregor Armstrong was outstanding in net, making several awesome saves.

In peewee house league action, NOTL's Investor's Group played their second game of the season against West Lincoln in an exciting contest with end-to-end action.

Niagara scored early in the first on a goal by Chris Maartenese. There was no scoring in the second period, but in the third the Wolves regained their touch as Isaak Hendriks scored two goals.

Matthew Margittay scored the fourth Wolves goal on an impressive end-to-end rush.

Goalie Nick Rigas, with strong defence from Nick Vanegmond, Justin Wormald, Josh Bush and Matthew Margittay, made some outstanding saves to record his second shutout of the season.

Kristian Biega and Justin Wormald helped out on one assist each while Josh Bush collected two assists.

Also in peewee action, VanNoort Florist tied NOTL Red with five goals a side.

Matthew Burns, Donald Archibald, Spenser Mavs and Riley Lepp all contributed for the Reds, while Keaton Tye, Jake Carlucci, Tyler Thomson and Ty Reschke were outstanding for VanNoort. Great goaltending on both sides earned the tie.

Hockey coaches: Please email your game results, and photos when possible, to the Niagara Advance at editor@niagaraadvance.com. Please include a phone number where you can be reached, the sponsor's name of your team, league and division, where and when the game was played, outstanding players and game highlights. Game reports can also be dropped off at the Advance office in the Village Green Plaza in Virgil, or faxed to 905-468-3137.

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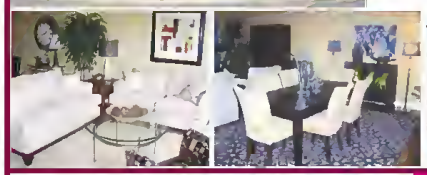

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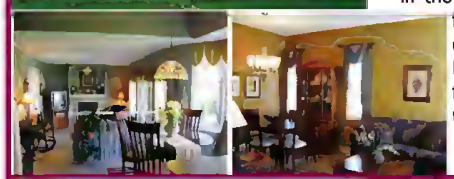

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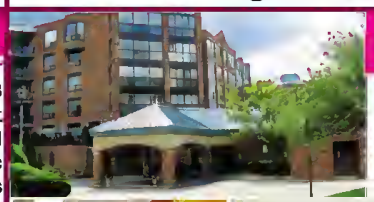

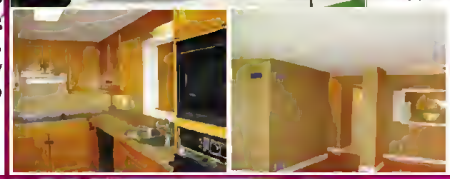

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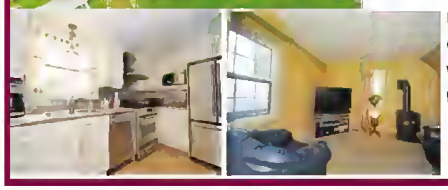

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